

DRAFT MINUTES

**OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 6TH FLOOR, PODIUM BLOCK, CIVIC
CENTRE, 12 HERTZOG BOULEVARD, CAPE TOWN, ON THURSDAY, 28 MARCH
2019 AT 10H00.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cllr A Abrahams (DA)	Cllr S A Cottle (DA)	Cllr M L Kempthorne (DA)
Cllr M R Abrahams (DA)	Cllr A C Crous (DA)	Cllr D M Khatshwa (ANC)
Cllr M F Achmat (AJ)	Cllr J Cupido (DA)	Cllr M E Kleinsmith (DA)
Cllr A Adams (DA)	Cllr T Dasa (DA)	Cllr M R H Kleinschmidt (DA)
Cllr A Adams (DI)	Cllr M M Davids (DA)	Cllr A L Komeni (ANC)
Cllr R Adams (DA)	Cllr W B Dlulane (ANC)	Cllr N Kopman (ANC)
Cllr Y Adams (CMC)	Cllr W P Doman (DA)	Cllr G P G Kriel (DA)
Cllr M Adonis (DA)	Cllr S S Duka (ANC)	Cllr A E Kuhl (DA)
Cllr Z C Adonis (DA)	Cllr P A East (DA)	Cllr M D Kumeke (ANC)
Cllr F K Ah-Sing (DA)	Cllr C J Esau (DA)	Ald N J Landingwe (ANC)
Cllr W J Akim (DA)	Cllr J P Fitz (DA)	Cllr S P Liell-Cock (DA)
Cllr E P Andrews (DA)	Cllr E Fortune (DA)	Cllr A Lili (ANC)
Cllr E Anstey (DA)	Cllr G D Fourie (DA)	Cllr X T Limberg (DA)
Cllr S W P Arendse (DA)	Cllr P Francke (DA)	Cllr B C Madikane (DA)
Cllr D E Badela (ANC)	Cllr C Fry (DA)	Cllr N Mahangu (DA)
Cllr Z A Badroodien (DA)	Cllr A Gabuza (ANC)	Cllr N Mahlati (DA)
Cllr M K Bafo (PAC)	Cllr B C Golding (DA)	Cllr B Majingo (ANC)
Cllr A J Basson (DA)	Cllr G E Gordon (DA)	Cllr N Makasi (ANC)
Cllr S Batala (DA)	Cllr A J Griesel (DA)	Cllr L C Makeleni (ANC)
Cllr T M Batembu (ANC)	Cllr C De Wet Groenewoud (DA)	Ald G W March (DA)
Cllr R Bazier (ANC)	Cllr N E Grose (DA)	Cllr R P Mare (DA)
Cllr R Beneke (DA)	Cllr L A Gungxe (ANC)	Cllr J Martlow (DA)
Cllr C B Bew (DA)	Cllr B Hadebe (ANC)	Cllr V Matanzima (DA)
Cllr N Bolitye (ANC)	Cllr B Hansen (DA)	Cllr J J Maxheke (ANC)
Cllr M Booi (DA)	Cllr W Harris (DA)	Cllr P Maxiti (DA)
Cllr G Bosman (DA)	Cllr G C R Haskin (ACDP)	Cllr S Mbandezi (DA)
Cllr F Botha-Rossouw (FF+)	Cllr P C Heynes (ANC)	Cllr J S Mbolompo (DA)
Cllr R Bresler (DA)	Cllr N D Hlangisa (UDM)	Cllr N V Mbombo (ANC)
Cllr E N Brunette (DA)	Cllr M W Hlazo (ANC)	Cllr J McCarthy (DA)
Cllr D W Bryant (DA)	Cllr T T Honono (ANC)	Cllr A P McKenzie (DA)
Cllr K R Carls (DA)	Cllr V R Isaacs (DA)	Cllr S S Mfecane (ANC)
Cllr H Carstens (DA)	Cllr I R Iversen (DA)	Cllr N Mgolombane (ANC)
Cllr M A Cassiem (DA)	Cllr B M Jacobs (DA)	Cllr J H Middleton (DA)
Cllr M F Cassim (COPE)	Cllr H W Jacobs (DA)	Cllr S Moodley (DA)
Cllr C S Cerfontein (DA)	Cllr W D Jaftha (DA)	Cllr A C Moses (DA)
Cllr P H Chapple (DA)	Cllr E E Jansen (DA)	Cllr R M Moses (DA)
Cllr D J Christians (DA)	Cllr C Janse van Rensburg (DA)	Cllr N A Moshani (ANC)
Cllr B Clarke (DA)	Cllr S John (ANC)	Cllr S Mzobe (ANC)
Cllr C C Clayton (DA)	Cllr C Jordaan (DA)	Cllr P S Mzolisa (DA)
Cllr D G Cottee (ANC)	Cllr N Jowell (DA)	Cllr N Ndaleneni (DA)
	Ald C Justus (DA)	Ald I D Neilson (DA)

Cllr K Nethi (DA)
Cllr B P Ngcani (ANC)
Cllr B Ngcombolo (ANC)
Cllr M W N Ngeyi (DA)
Cllr P M Ngqu (DA)
Cllr S Ngxumza (ANC)
Ald M J Nieuwoudt (DA)
Cllr M Nikelo (DA)
Cllr S Nkomiyahlaba (ANC)
Cllr X Nofemele (DA)
Cllr S M Noludwe (DA)
Cllr S P Nqamnduku (ANC)
Cllr M L Nqavashe (DA)
Cllr M Nqulwana (ANC)
Cllr A Ntsodo (DA)
Cllr P Nyakaza-Sandla (DA)
Cllr L Nyingwa (ANC)
Cllr S F Oerson (DA)
Ald M J Oliver (DA)
Cllr X B Pakela-Mapasa (DA)
Cllr G C Peck (DA)
Cllr X G Peter (ANC)
Cllr M J Petersen (DA)
Cllr S Philander (DA)
Cllr M P Pietersen (DA)
Cllr T I Pimpi ((ANC)
Cllr Y Plaatjie (DA)
Executive Mayor D Plato (DA)
Cllr C Pophaim (DA)
Ald S B Pringle (DA)
Cllr C B Punt (DA)
Ald F A Purchase (DA)
Cllr R M Quintas (DA)
Cllr X Qwesha (DA)
Cllr M H Raise (DA)
Cllr S A Ramsay (DA)
Cllr B Rass (DA)
Cllr R Rau (DA)
Cllr F H L Raymond (DA)
Cllr N Rheeder (DA)
Cllr S J Rossouw (DA)
Cllr R Saralina (DA)
Cllr E Sawant (DA)
Cllr R Z Simbeku (ANC)
Cllr R S Simons (ANC)
Cllr A J Skippers (DA)
Ald J D Smit (DA)
Ald J P Smith (DA)
Cllr N P Sono (ANC)
Cllr X R Sotashe (ANC)
Cllr K G Southgate (DA)
Cllr Z Sulelo (DA)
Cllr P S Swart (DA)
Cllr S Taliep (DA)
Cllr E A J Theron (ANC)
Ald T Thompson (DA)
Cllr G Timm (DA)
Cllr B E Truter (PA)
Ald G G Twigg (DA)
Cllr T A Uys (DA)
Cllr B van der Merwe (DA)
Cllr J F H van der Merwe (DA)
Cllr A A van der Rheede (DA)
Cllr P E van der Ross (DA)
Cllr M L van der Walt (DA)
Cllr B van Reenen (DA)
Cllr C H S van Wyk (DA)
Cllr A van Zyl (DA)
Cllr M Velem (ANC)
Cllr R Viljoen (DA)
Cllr D A Visagie (DA)
Cllr C L Visser (DA)
Cllr J Visser (DA)
Cllr P P Vokwana (DA)
Ald J Vos (DA)
Cllr S Vuba (DA)
Cllr F C Walker (DA)
Ald B R W Watkyns (DA)
Cllr C Williams (ACDP)
Cllr J J Witbooi (DA)
Cllr J Woodman (DA)
Cllr N Xamle (DA)
Cllr S K Yozi (ANC)
Cllr L G Zondani (ANC)

APOLOGIES

Cllr F L Abrahams (ANC)
Cllr R Arendse (DA)
Cllr A Arnolds (EFF)
Cllr U M Barends (DA)
Ald G V Cavanagh (DA)
Cllr N N Dilima (ANC)
Cllr D Dudley (ACDP)
Cllr F Gaffoor (EFF)
Cllr M G Hendricks (AJ)
Cllr C O Mabona (EFF)
Cllr N Makamba-Botya (EFF)
Cllr S Manata (ANC)
Cllr C N Mdleleni (EFF)
Cllr P M Mngxunyeni (ANC)
Cllr T Mpengezi (ANC)
Cllr A X Ndongeni (ANC)
Cllr D Ngubelanga (AIC)
Cllr F M Nkunzana (ANC)
Cllr M Xego (EFF)

ABSENT

The following Councillors were absent without an apology:

Cllr M N Chitha (ANC)
Cllr M Dambuza (EFF)
Cllr L Jali (ANC)
Cllr L V P McBride (DA)
Cllr S Nonkeyizana (ANC)
Cllr T Sakathi (ANC)
Cllr B M van Minnen (DA)

The following Councillor submitted an apology for late arrival:

Cllr G C R Haskin (ACDP)

The following Councillors submitted an apology for leaving early:

Cllr M K Bafo (PAC)
Cllr N Bolitye (ANC)
Cllr C Fry (DA)
Cllr T T Honono (ANC)
Cllr J Martlow (DA)

Cllr J J Maxheke (ANC)
Cllr P Maxiti (DA)
Cllr S S Mfecane (ANC)
Cllr S J Rossouw (DA)
Ald J P Smith (DA)
Cllr R Viljoen (DA)
Cllr S Vuba (DA)

PRESENT***Executive Management Team***

Mr L Mbandazayo	-	City Manager
Mr K Jacoby	-	ED: Finance
Mr R Bosman	-	ED: Safety and Security
Ms K Le Keur	-	ED: Economic Opportunities and Asset Management
Mr K Nassiep	-	ED: Energy and Climate Change
Mr E Sass	-	ED: Community Services & Health
Mr B van Schoor	-	Acting ED: Urban Management
Mr G Fortune	-	Acting ED: Transport

Executive Committee Services

Mrs R Razack	-	Manager: Executive Committee Services
Ms J Cooper		
Ms J Guild		
Mr G Josephs		
Ms M Levendall		
Mr N Meissenheimer		
Mrs C Minnaar		
Mr R Riffel		
Ms R Tippoo		
Mrs L von Molendorff		

Legal Services

Ms G Jeffries
Ms R Sayed

ACRONYMS:**LIST OF ACRONYMS FOR INFORMATION**

ACDP - African Christian Democratic Party
AIC - African Independent Congress

AJ	-	Al Jama-ah
ANC	-	African National Congress
CMC	-	Cape Muslim Congress
COPE	-	Congress of the People
DA	-	Democratic Alliance
DI	-	Democratic Independent
EFF	-	Economic Freedom Fighters
FF+	-	Freedom Front Plus
PA	-	Patriotic Alliance
PAC	-	Pan Africanist Congress of Azania
UDM	-	United Democratic Movement

SECTION 1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Speaker welcomed all Councillors, officials, the media and members of public in the gallery to the ordinary Council meeting.

Councillors were called upon to register their attendance electronically.

A moment of silence was observed.

SECTION 2 MAYORAL ADDRESS

The Speaker called on the Executive Mayor, Ald D Plato to address Council, as follows:

“Speaker, councillors, members of the public, media, good morning. Please be informed that Alderman T Amira recently passed away. I hereby request that a moment of silence be observed in honour of Alderman Amira.

It has been four months since the new Mayoral Committee was appointed, and I have seen the renewed energy in this caucus. I have accompanied a number of the councillors in the communities that they serve to various public meetings, engagements and events, and this is what I like to see – our councillors getting out there, being visible and available to the public. Earlier this year we allocated more funding during the adjustments budget towards safety and security, which means our residents will be seeing more law enforcement officers on the ground and more patrol cars on their streets. The South African Police Service (SAPS) which falls under the national government remains the primary safety structure, but we are doing what we can towards increasing safety in our city.

The draft annual budget is being tabled today and I will be making some more announcements about delivering on the safety commitments I made when coming in to office last year. We also allocated more funding towards cleaning up our city in the adjustments budget, and this resulted in the launch of a city wide clean-up campaign this month. Our officials are going to have to be on top of their game, because over the last year our communities were not as clean as they should have been. At the same time, we need our residents to work with us to keep our neighbourhoods free of grime and litter, and I want to applaud those community members who have organised their own clean ups! I am glad that we are already seeing an improvement in some areas.

When it comes to social housing, I am sure our residents will be very pleased with what we have planned, and what we have already started, including the recent sod turning event for a development in Goodwood that will yield more than one thousand units. As many of you will know, I have always had an open door policy, because we are here to provide a service to the public, and we must be available. I meet daily with concerned residents, community organisations and many others. I'm also out in the communities, meeting residents, hosting public engagements and attending meetings where I am invited by the residents. Sometimes residents will have complaints, because things do fall through the cracks. We cannot be perfect all the time, but we try our best, and where we need to be better I am happy that our residents tell us. This is what makes us a caring city, and an accountable city. I'm a firm believer in open and honest engagement.

However, I am seeing a very worrying trend on social media where lies and misinformation spread like wildfire. One of the latest examples of misinformation being spread is that the City has made massive profits from the water tariffs last year. This is complete nonsense, and we are actually more likely to see an under-recovery on our water tariffs, not a profit. But it is easy to make up information and spread it all over the internet.

The public must be careful about what they read on Twitter and Facebook. You trust that information at your own peril. The internet is abused by more people than ever before, which is perhaps why the ANC and other political parties are so keen on using and abusing it, to spread their misinformation and lies. Talk is cheap for the ANC because after all the looting and corruption and stealing from the tax payers, it's all they can afford now. There is no more action or delivery from the ANC because they have no money to deliver services; it's all in their politicians' pockets. Just look at the train services. The President of South Africa had to wait three hours to catch a train last week. What an embarrassment. Our residents have to deal with this every day!

Cape Town needs more trains, a safer rail service and a better run rail service. One just needs to ask any of the thousands of commuters who are forced to use the failing service every day. They have had to endure this poor service for years, and arrive at work two hours late, sometimes being fired because they are repeatedly late. This is not acceptable. So I am glad to see that talks are happening with the National Minister of Transport, Blade Nzimande about the City of Cape Town taking over the running of the rail network in the Metro. I have seen a change in tune over recent days, but I am confident that everyone will do what is best for commuters and put politics aside. I have faith in my Mayoral Committee Member for Transport, Alderman Felicity Purchase to see this through.

Speaker, as the Mayor of this city I want to acknowledge our residents, and thank them for being the active and resilient citizens that they are. At our recent public hearing around the Bo-Kaap Heritage Protection Overlay Zone (HPOZ), we had a full day of speakers from the community. They participated in a democratic process and today a report will serve before Council, recommending the granting of HPOZ status for the Bo-Kaap. The engagements I witnessed at the public hearing showed me that our residents can make their voices heard peacefully and effectively.

Speaker, before I discuss the draft annual budget being tabled today, I want to address the load-shedding that the national government and ANC have unleashed on communities across the country and across our city. Eskom is broken and our president, who was tasked with turning it around several years ago as the head of the Eskom task team, clearly failed to make any impact.

If Mr Ramaphosa couldn't even fix Eskom, what chance have we got of him fixing the country? He's even bringing back all the ministers implicated for corruption under the Zuma administration to serve in his new cabinet after May. But let's not waste too much time talking about what we already know; that the ANC continues to be morally bankrupt and has nothing to offer the people of this country. As we too are reliant on Eskom for electricity delivery, we have tried to find ways to be less reliant on Eskom. One of those ways is to buy power directly from independent power producers. At the moment, national government will not allow us to do this, so we are taking them to court. Our residents have a right to electricity; it doesn't matter where it comes from. If Eskom cannot provide it, then we should be able to make other plans, and that is exactly what we intend to do. This is why we have written to the High Court, requesting that our application to buy electricity from independent power producers be made urgent. There is a solution under the Democratic Alliance for the people of Cape Town and national government must not hold us back! We can keep houses running and businesses operating when the ANC turn the lights out.

Speaker, I would like to now address the proposed annual budget of the City of Cape Town, which will be tabled later today. For the 2019/2010 financial year, a proposed amount of R40,709 billion has been allocated for operating expenditure and R8, 313 billion for capital expenditure. The draft Service Delivery Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) One Year Corporate and Entities Scorecards for 2019/20 and the Draft Directorate Executive Summaries for 2019/20 will also be tabled today. The SDBIP gives effect to the Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and the budget of this municipality, and is an expression of the objectives of the City of Cape Town in quantifiable outcomes that will be implemented by the administration for the 2019/2010 financial period.

This budget provides the detail of the funded commitments of the City to deliver on our IDP through programmes, projects and other initiatives, to ultimately improve the lives of all in the city. Deputy Mayor, and Mayoral Committee Member for Finance, Ian Neilson will cover the proposed budget in more detail later today, but let me touch on a few points.

Draft 2019/2020 Budget:

Directorate	Capital Budget	Operating Budget
Community Services & Health	307 694 644	3 764 770 709
Corporate Services	139 165 301	1 799 050 425
Economic Opportunities & Asset Management	388 275 152	1 333 719 404
Energy & Climate Change	862 558 445	11 960 195 157
Finance	40 968 920	2 978 586 987
Human Settlements	829 562 654	1 446 361 188
Office of the City Manager	913 290	206 354 231
Safety & Security	103 649 699	3 453 536 964
Spatial Planning & Environment	69 203 262	593 110 221
Transport	1 040 815 276	3 649 350 542
Urban Management	43 131 819	862 250 332
Water & Waste	4 486 958 722	8 662 510 682
Total	8 312 897 184	40 709 796 216

What we are tabling today will require the public's input, because as an open, transparent and accountable City, we work together with our residents. The annual budget document will be available for public comment until the end of April, at which point we will assess the feedback received, and table the final budget at our council meeting in May.

The City's budget takes into account the fiscal pressures facing government and residents and reflects the need to continue delivering effective services as well as to improve efficiencies so as to not put undue financial pressure on our residents. The budget attempts to deliver on our responsibilities to Cape Town's poorest residents, ensuring that funding is available for the delivery of the services that our residents deserve and respecting our ratepayers whose contributions we cannot do without. This is an enabling budget; enabling in terms of creating the environment where job creation can continue, where housing is delivered, and where we deliver services so that our residents can enjoy their homes, their neighbourhoods, and the places where they relax and where they work.

Housing delivery remains a top priority of this administration as reflected in this year's budget, where R2,3 billion is allocated to the newly established Human Settlements Directorate. The upgrading of our informal settlements has received a significant budget allocation with R589 million going towards the mainstreaming of basic service delivery to informal settlements and backyard dwellers. In order to decisively overcome the legacies of apartheid, the development of truly integrated human settlements must be prioritised. The bulk of the housing opportunities being developed are on well-located land close to public transport, jobs, government services and public amenities. This demonstrates how we are realising the objectives in the Municipal Spatial Development Framework (MSDF) in terms of densification and prioritising projects located in the urban core. The rollout of title deeds, which has empowered communities across the city, will continue to be supported and accelerated, and I was very pleased to attend some of these in recent weeks and see the many happy faces of the recipients.

Speaker, in 2018 the City and its residents truly embodied our vision of 'making progress possible, together', by working together to avert the water crisis. Cape Town has now become a global leader in water conservation and we must all continue to be water-wise. I would like to see our city learn from our collective success of overcoming the water crisis, and apply these learnings in other areas that could become problematic in the future. One such area is traffic congestion. This is a problem that is not going to go away without a concerted effort from all parties.

Most big cities have a well-functioning public transport system, but unfortunately across South Africa our rail network is collapsing under the national government. Yes, we want to take over the rail network, but that will not happen overnight. Very soon, together with the Mayoral Committee Member for Transport, we will be announcing how we plan to work with our residents to alleviate traffic congestion on our roads.

As part of our efforts to tackle congestion, we have allocated the following to the Transport Directorate:

- *Congestion Relief Projects - R165,8 million*
- *IRT Phase 2 A - R190,3 million*
- *Metro Roads: Reconstruction - R86,5 million*
- *Non-Motorised Transport Programme - R126,8 million*
- *Public Transport Interchange Programme - R98,2 million*
- *Roads: Rehabilitation - R91 million*
- *I am looking forward to seeing the impact of this budget and the plans we will announce in the coming weeks.*

To more effectively deliver services in the city, the revised Organisational Development and Transformation Plan (ODTP) was adopted alongside the establishment of the new Mayoral Committee. The new organisational structure is already bearing fruit, as it has allowed for more effective and efficient service delivery to the people of Cape Town and allowed for a renewed focus on the meeting of basic needs, because this is what our communities want. There is often a lot of focus on the new infrastructure that we are delivering, and we continue to deliver in this regard, but it is equally important that we also ensure the optimal maintenance of existing infrastructure and that we play our part to protect it from vandalism. We will be working with communities to engage them in helping to play their part too in protecting this infrastructure so that our limited resources are not unnecessarily diverted and to ensure that all communities have access to high quality and functional infrastructure.

Speaker, I want to repeat here today what I have said before - crime and grime go hand-in-hand and create an unsafe environment for communities across the city. While education, skills development and job creation remain the fundamental means through which we can increase safety, we unfortunately also need to pick up the slack from the under-resourcing of the SAPS. This is why, in addition to the extra 100 Law enforcement officers we announced earlier this year, the budget that is being tabled today will allow us to recruit a further 200 officers across the Law Enforcement, Traffic and Metro Police departments, for the people of Cape Town. We will also ensure that the new staff are equipped with the necessary vehicles to assist them in carrying out their duties. We need our residents to feel safe and in the countless public meetings I have attended in recent years and in recent months as Mayor, this is what they have been asking for. I must take this opportunity to say a special thank you to the thousands of neighbourhood watch members across this city, who volunteer their time to help keep our communities safe and act as a critical force multiplier. They do this, often after a long day of work, and at night into the early hours of the morning.

We hosted an awards ceremony over the weekend to honour their selfless dedication and I was truly humbled to see how many of our residents are playing their part to keep their neighbourhoods safe.

I want to thank all the councillors and the City officials for all the hard work that they do. I have seen the renewed energy in this administration, and I am sure our communities are feeling it too, so thank you for going the extra mile for the people of Cape Town.

In conclusion, I want to emphasise that this budget is focused on and committed to directing resources where they are needed most and where they will have the biggest impact, so that we can continue to make progress possible together. Thank you."

[During the Executive Mayor's address, the public in the gallery were protesting with placards, whereupon the Speaker requested them to remove their placards and to be seated. The protesters continued their action, whereupon the Speaker instructed the VIP Unit to remove the protesters from the gallery.]

SECTION 2.1 20 MINUTES FOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following questions were put to the Executive Mayor, Ald D Plato:

STILL TO BE INSERTED.

SECTION 3

C 01/03/19 APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLVED that the following applications for leave of absence submitted by Cllr D Visagie, the Chief Whip of Council **BE NOTED**:

Cllr F L Abrahams (ANC)
Cllr R Arendse (DA)
Cllr A Arnolds (EFF)
Cllr U M Barends (DA)
Ald G V Cavanagh (DA)
Cllr N N Dilima (ANC)
Cllr D Dudley (ACDP)
Cllr F Gaffoor (EFF)
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Cllr F M Nkuzana (ANC)
Cllr M Xego (EFF)

ACTION: T ALBERTYN

SECTION 4 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker made the following announcements:

- Congratulated Cllr L Zondani (ANC) for achieving his Honours Degree in Public Administration
- Ruled that Cllr M Nikelo to sit next to him on podium to observe how the meeting is conducted by the Speaker, as decided by the Programming Committee.

At this stage, Cllr X Sotashe (ANC) objected against the Speaker's ruling, as it was in contradiction with the Rules of Order.

The meeting was disrupted, whereupon the Speaker adjourned the meeting at 11H10. At 11H40 the meeting reconvened and Councillors were requested to re-register their attendance.

At recommencement of the meeting, the Speaker mentioned that he had a discussion with the Party Whips in respect of his earlier ruling, whereupon he apologised to Council.

Cllr X Sotashe also extended his apology for his Caucus's unruly behaviour and the chaos created in the Chamber.

SECTION 5 OFFICIAL NOTICES / URGENT MATTERS

There were no official notices or urgent matters raised.

SECTION 6 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

C 02/03/19 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING: 31 JANUARY 2019

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 31 January 2019, be confirmed.

ACTION: N MEISSENHEIMER, R RAZACK, G KENHARDT, L MBANDAZAYO, T ALBERTYN

The Speaker announced that the following items were agreed on by the respective parties at the Whips' meeting:

Volume 2 – Items 10, 11, 18, 18A and 18B

Volume 3- Items 21, 22, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37; 39, 41 [Items agreed on] and 47 [Noted]

Volume 4 -Items 51,52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 and 62 [Reports for information and noting.]

200 Councillors were present in the Chamber when this announcement was made.

At this stage, the Speaker ruled that Items C04 and C05 be considered prior to Item C03. The decisions are however recorded in numerical sequence.

C 03/03/19 TABLING OF DRAFT BUDGET 2019/20- 2021/22

The Executive Mayor, Ald D Plato tabled the Draft Budget for debate during his Mayoral Address and indicated that the Executive Deputy Mayor, Ald I Neilson would further elaborate on the Draft Budget, as follows:

Speaker, the City is proposing a draft operating budget of R40.7 billion for the 2019/20 financial year; an increase of 3.68% from last year. Each year, when we begin the process of drawing up the draft budget, we have to engage in a very careful balancing act.

As a caring city, we need to ensure that our tariffs and rates are fair, and that any increases are not beyond what our residents and businesses can manage. We look at the basket of services we offer to our most vulnerable residents, to ensure that we provide them with sufficient support. As a well-run city, we need to need to adhere to the most basic accounting principle: ensuring that our expenditure does not exceed our income. When drawing up our budget, we need to estimate as closely as possible what we expect our income to be; we need to quantify all the services we will be providing, whether we will be able to spend all the funding allocated to our capital projects, and what we expect our operational expenses to be. We can know none of these things with absolute certainty, but we need to estimate as accurately as possible.

I would like to take this opportunity to commend our Chief Financial Officer, Kevin Jacoby, and our Director of Budgets, Johan Steyl, as well as all the officials in his department who have been working tirelessly over the past months, for once again pulling off this seemingly impossible balancing act with the skills and dedication we have come to expect of them. For now, you may take a well-deserved breather, but please don't get too comfortable.

The next step in the process is for the residents of Cape Town to scrutinise the draft budget, and provide their feedback and comments. The public participation process will commence on the first of April, and I would like to urge all residents to make use of this opportunity to provide their input. Now, I know that one of the most anticipated aspects of this budget is the announcement of the property rate.

As you are aware, Speaker, we are required by law to undertake a general valuations process every few years. The City's Valuations team, headed by Louise Muller, has been hard at work for most of the past year to complete the valuation of all the properties within the metro. The results have been very encouraging for property owners: we have seen an average increase of 30% in property values, which translates into an exceptional return on investment. There have been some misplaced fears that the increase in property values would equate to a similar increase in the property rates. This is not the case; quite the opposite, in fact. Due to the significant increase in property values, we are in a position to lower the rate in the Rand required to fund the general services provided from the property tax. While the current rate in the Rand is at 0.7154 c, we are proposing to reduce it to 0.555 c; which equates to a reduction of 22%. We are also increasing the threshold from which the property tax is levied, from the current R200 000 to R300 000. This means that you will only be taxed on the value of your property over and above the first R300 000.

In 2018/19 Council approved an annual contribution of R50 per month (R600 per annum) on properties valued between R400 001 and R750 000. Amended national legislation prohibits this practice and from the 2019/20 Financial Year the R50 rebate will no longer be granted. The 2018/19 threshold of R4 000 of the household income means test for indigent applications is lifted to R4 500. This means 100% property rates rebate and refuse removal rebate for household income levels of up to R4 500 are now allowed (previously a 95% rebate was applicable). The 2018/19 household income for the determination of Housing Indigent Relief for rental and home ownership schemes is lifted from R3 400 to R4 500.

This means that the discounted rental amount currently payable of 10% of income for indigent applicants is now extended to households earning up to R4 500. With regard to water and sanitation tariffs, we are lowering the required increase by subsidising costs to the tune of R200 million from the Equitable Share Allocation, and keeping the tariff increase at 9%, which equates to an increase of R1,23 per 1 000 litres of water. There will be no increase in the fixed charge for water.

With regard to electricity tariffs, we are proposing a controlled increase of 8,8% (bearing in mind that the City is paying a 15,63% increase in tariffs to Eskom for bulk electricity supply). Refuse removal services will be increased by 5%, as slight reduction from the 5.7% increase last year. As the Mayor has stated earlier, this budget will prioritise fighting the scourge of crime and grime in Cape Town's neighbourhoods, and the delivery of housing opportunities to bring redress and spatial transformation in the metro. We will also continue the drive to bring investment and economic opportunities to the City. We are encouraged in this by the recent decision of Moody's to change the City's rating from negative to stable, due to our sound management of the water crisis. It is unfortunate, but not entirely unexpected, that certain parties would seek to cast this in a negative light.

So, for those who still erroneously believe that the City made a profit from the water crisis, I am going to take this opportunity to once again set the record straight: All income derived from water and sanitation tariffs is ploughed straight back into the provision of water and sanitation services. While there was an over-recovery of tariffs during the months when Level 6 restrictions applied, due to residents consuming more water than the target of 450 MLD, this is being offset by an under-recovery since the implementation of Level 3 restrictions, which has seen residents consuming water below the target of 650 MLD. The change in the Moody's rating is good news for the City, its residents, businesses and investors. It will help to restore confidence in Cape Town and its future prospects, encouraging investment and providing a level of comfort to potential investors that the municipality is in a strong and stable position

It is unfortunate that the national economic outlook does not mirror this. It appears likely that we will receive another blow to the economic confidence in South Africa if Moody's downgrades our national credit rating tomorrow, as is widely expected. As the City of Cape Town, we will continue to guard against corruption. We will continue to exercise sound financial management. We will continue our fight to keep the lights on. We will continue in our efforts to provide safe, efficient public transport to our residents.

We will continue our efforts to providing housing and spatial transformation of our city.

In short, we will continue to do everything the national government is failing to do. I thank you."

RESOLVED that it be noted that the draft budget for the 2019/20 to 2021/22 financial years was tabled by the Executive Mayor and that the tabled draft budget would be subjected to a public participation process, as legislatively prescribed, during April 2019.

[200 Councillors were present when the above decision was made.]

ACTION: J STEYL, K JACOBY

The Speaker announced that Items C04 and C05 would be clustered for debate. The decisions are however recorded in numerical sequence.

C 04/03/19 APPROVAL: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2017-2022 INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) - 2018/19

The ANC rejected the proposed amendments to the 2017-2022 Integrated Development Plan (IDP).

The recommendation as per the agenda was put to the vote, with results as follows:

In favour : 151
Against : 40
Abstentions : 1

The recommendation as per the agenda was therefore carried.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the comments on the proposed amendments to the 2017 - 2022 (2018/19) Integrated Development Plan (IDP) as per Annexure A to the report on the agenda, be noted
- (b) the proposed amendments to the 2017 - 2022 IDP resulting from the 2018/19 mid-year adjustments as per Annexure B to the report on the agenda, be approved

- (c) the proposed amendments to the 2017-2022 IDP (2018/19) based on the assessment of its performance measures as per Annexure C to the report on the agenda, be approved.

ACTION : E DU TOIT, L JANSSENS, C KESSON

C 05/03/19

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2017 - 2022 INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP): 2019/20 AMENDMENTS

The ANC was not in support of the recommendation as per the agenda.

The recommendation as per the agenda was put to the vote, with results as follows:

In favour : 147
Against : 38
Abstentions : 2

The recommendation as per the agenda was therefore carried.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) the proposed amendments to the 2017 - 2022 (2019/20) Integrated Development Plan (IDP) including the changes to the Corporate Scorecard as per Annexure A to the report on the agenda and the further changes as set out below, be noted
- (i) a sentence be added to the end of the paragraph under the section titled "Creating a safe workplace City staff project" on page 33 of the Mayco agenda, as follows:

This shall include the gradual insourcing of contracted private security services in favour of the deployment of Law Enforcement staff designated as Facility Protection Officers (FPOs) and facility safety wardens (recruited from neighbourhood watches) to patrol clusters of Council-owned facilities and protect the facilities and staff working at these facilities, which has the additional benefit of increasing safety in the surrounding community. This project can gradually integrate with area enforcement resources.

- (ii) the strikethrough of the text in the two paragraphs (HIV/Aids, TB and ART) under the "Current narrative" column on page 17 of the Mayco agenda be removed in order for the Current

narrative to be retained;

- (iii) the three submissions made by the Spatial Planning & Environment directorate be included in the submission to Council as proposed amendments to the 2017-2022 (2019/20) IDP
- (b) approval be granted for the public comment period of a minimum of 21 days for the proposed amendments to the 2017 - 2022 IDP (2019/20).

ACTION : E DU TOIT, L JANSSENS, C KESSON